

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2004\_1509A  
Nobuyuki MASUMURA et al. : **Confirmation No. 3936**  
Serial No. 10/508,788 : Group Art Unit 3656  
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**APPELLANTS' REPLY BRIEF**

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Sir:

The following is an Appellants' Reply Brief, submitted under the provisions of 37 CFR § 41.41. The Reply Brief is further to the Appeal Brief filed July 31, 2009, and in response to the Examiner's Answer dated October 2, 2009.